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J. R. RACE & CO.

Having received a large and well selected stock of

Boys', Youth's and Children's Suits,

At an UNPRECEDENTEDLY LOW PRICE, are prepared to give extra bargains. We have manufactured a Large Line of MEN'S SUITS, and we sell them at prices that DEFY COMPETITION.

OUR HAT DEPARTMENT IS COMPLETE!

Having just received the Latest Nobby Styles.

Our Neckwear and Gents' Furnishing Goods Department

Contains all the Latest Novelties Also

White and Fancy Shirts

IN ENDESS VARIETY.

Our Merchant Tailoring Department!

Continues to be an important factor in our business. We have received a large line of the Latest Styles Suitings, and are prepared to give you a PERFECT FITTING GARMENT at a living price. We are now making

BUSINESS SUITS AT THE LOW PRICE OF \$25.00 CASSIMERE PANTS FOR 5.00

And last, but not least, we would call the attention of engineers, firemen, brakemen, etc., to our NOBBY OVERSUITS, at the low price of \$1.75.

Examine our stock and prices, and be convinced that we mean what we say.

March 20 - d&wt

J. R. RACE & CO.

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UNDERTAKERS

And Dealers in all kinds of

COFFINS, Metallic Burial Cases and Caskets.

Southwest Corner Old Square

DECATUR, ILL.

Residence, No. 18 West William Street

June 4 - d&wt

H. MUELLER & CO.,

DEALERS IN—



Gas Fixtures!

IRON, LEAD AND BRASS PIPES AND FITTINGS, BRASS VALVES AND LOCKS.

PUMPS

RUBBER HOSE, BELTING AND PACKING, ALL KINDS OF MACHINE SUPPLIES, ETC.

ALL KINDS OF MACHINERY REPAIRED, AND GAS FITTING, PLUMBING, STEAM AND GAS FITTING, ALL WORK, WARRANTED.

Cor. E. Main and State Streets,

Decatur, Illinois.

Oct. 16, 1878 - d15

FREEMAN BROS.

Will open a complete stock of

BOOTS

AND

SHOES!

MAY 1st, 1879,

In the building lately occupied by

M. GOLDBURG

No. 8

MERCHANT

STREET.

April 24 - d17

A BIT OF GOSSIP.

I've just come from Mrs. Brady's. Who urged me to stay to tea. "For I've got a wonderful story. You really must hear," says she. And with that the strings of my bunnet I soon began to untie: "I'm glad you came to-day," says she; "But I mustn't stay late," says I.

"You remember Mary McGinnis, And the airs she put on," says she. "For the matter of that, no lady More stuck up with pride could be; And I thought she would come to sorrow With holding her head so high, And not a cent in her pocket," says she. "To be sure she would!" says I.

"They came from Ballylonghannon," Says Mrs. Brady, says she. And it ain't for the likes of them to look With scorn on the likes of me; For them that has been on feathers May be glad on straw to lie, And I think don't last in the world," says she; "Indeed an' it don't!" says I.

"There's Terence," says Mrs. Brady, As she stirred her cup of tea. "There isn't a better-looking boy Or a dancier one," says she; "And that he has been in the world I'm not the one to deny, She was none too good for him," says she; "Of course she wasn't!" says I.

"It took me so of a sudden," Says Mrs. Brady, says she. "I couldn't think it was true at all. But Mrs. O'Shaughnessy Had seen it herself in the papers, So you know it could be no lie; And Mary McGinnis, the world she strut! "More shame to her than!" says I.

"An' must you go, Mrs. Doolan?" Says Mrs. Brady, says she. As I drew my chair from the table, After drinking six cups of tea, "I haven't told you the story," Says she, "how do you like it? For I know you're dying to hear it!" "But it's getting late," says I.

"And," says I, "the rest of the story It isn't worth while to repeat, And I wonder Mary McGinnis Can't hear her face in the street! And," says I, "it is well that Terence Conducted himself so shy, He might have had to share the disgrace Of the shameless lassy!" says I.

"What's that?" says she, in a minute, Says Mrs. Brady, says she. "The wicked thing that you're hinting at Is wonderful news to me!" Says I, "You told it to me yourself!" "Well, you'd better tell it over again," Says I, "Mrs. Brady," says I.

"So I will," says she, in a hurry, "For I see it is getting late. I told you Mary McGinnis Had been such a big estate. That none in Ballylonghannon Could carry their heads so high, And Terence is broken-hearted!" "I shouldn't wonder!" says I.

Heavy Artillery

From the Cincinnati Commercial. Mr. Krupp has just prepared the greatest of his steel rifled guns. It is a breech-loader, cannot be fired until the wedge that closes the breech is in place, burns 400 pounds of powder at a charge, and throws a shell weighing 1,600 pounds. The velocity of the shell as it leaves the gun is 1,640 feet per second. It is believed the projectile may be thrown fifteen miles, but practice ground of that extent is not available. This is the very latest in the line of the modern improvements of artillery. The Martini-Henry rifle, in use in the English army in Afghanistan, has been found effective at 2,100 yards. This is more than has been claimed by the inventors. The use of these weapons will render the handling of field-pieces in action a very lively occupation, and make cavalry serviceable only in scouting and dress-parade.

Safe, Permanent and Complete are the cures of intermittent diseases performed by CLIFFORD'S FERRUGINOUS DUMB CHILLS, Fever and Ague, and all bilious disorders are speedily eradicated from the system. Health and vigor are obtained more rapidly and more permanently by the use of this great natural antidote than by any remedy heretofore known. It disinfects, cleanses and eliminates all malaria. As a Tonic, it acts as an Antiseptic and Blood Purifier, bringing renewed energy and vitality to the body worn down by disease.

J. C. RAY, Prop'r, St. Louis.

For sale by all druggists.

April 15 - d&wt

Gents' Shawls.—Very cheap, at Linn & Scruggs.

Ladies, Take Notice!—We have just received and placed on sale the largest, best and cheapest stock of Ladies' walking shoes ever offered in this market. You are respectfully invited to call and examine quality and price.

Feb 11 - d&wt BARBER & BAKER

Men's Seamless Side Lace Shoes, for Ladies, at Ferriss's. Perfect fitting, no seams, and consequently no ripping—an elegant style, for \$3.00.

Feb 18 - d&wt

See those new spring styles Ladies Shoes and Slippers, at Ferriss's Shoe Store Jan 25 - d&wt

Great Bargains in Carpets and Window Shades, at Linn & Scruggs, Jan 23 - d&wt

The Comfort Patent Corset—Bottone's Adjustable, Foy's Supporter, Moody's Abdominal, Glove Fitting, Hurdner Bones, together with the best and cheapest French Corsets in the city, at Jan. 23 - d&wt Linn & Scruggs

NICKEL-PLATED heels, Merkle Patent Seamless Shoes, check, blue and basket top, side lace and button shoes, at Ferriss's Shoe Store.

Feb 24 - d&wt

LOOK! LOOK!—You can get Newport Ties at Barber & Baker's for \$1.00—former price, \$1.50. Feb. 11 - d&wt

Ladies, Take Notice!—Mr. E. P. Moore is prepared to do ladies' shampooing at their houses, in the best style. Leave orders at D. Stewart's Barber shop, Central Block. [April 21 - d&wt]

In Hat, Veil, Shawl, Cuff and Handkerchiefs, the largest assortment and lowest prices can be found at the Cheap Store April 26 - d&wt

B. STINE,

THE BOSS CLOTHIER!



Can show you the most Elegant Assortment of

Youth's Clothing!

For Stylish Young Men's Trade, of any House in the City, and

Not Surpassed in Style,

Workmanship, Trimmings,

Or Price, by any House in the United States.

If you don't believe it, convince yourself by looking through the store of our competitors, notice the fit and general style of theirs, and then come around and see ours, and we will leave it to your own judgment.

OUR SPRING STOCK!

IN ALL ITS BRANCHES COMPLETE.

Our Merchant Tailoring Department

A PERFECT SUCCESS,

As the many Suits we are turning out furnish the evidence.

WILSON BROS.' SHIRTS!

MADE TO ORDER AND IN STOCK.

We are not ashamed to mention Our Prices, but wish you to remember that

WE DEFY COMPETITION.

B. STINE,

THE "BOSS CLOTHIER."

March 21 - d17

Immense Rush!

EVERYBODY ASTONISHED

At the EXTREMELY LOW PRICES at which Goods are selling at the

CHEAP STORE!

18 Merchant Street.

BEHOLD THE ARRAY.

Six Cakes Toilet Soap, 10c
Twelve Dozen Shirt Buttons, 5c
Corsets, 25c
White Shirts, 45c
One Dozen Lead Pencils, 10c
24 Sheets Paper and 25 Envelopes, 25c
Pins per paper, 1c
Ladies' Linen Handkerchiefs, 4 for 5c
Ladies' Hose, 5c
Dressing Combs, 5c
Paper Collars, per box, 5c
Lace, per yard, 25c
Tidy Cotton, 25c
Lisle Thread Gloves, 5c
Umbrellas, 50c
Motives, 50c
Card Board, per sheet, 5c

As also a full and complete line of Hosiery, Buttons, Embroideries, Laces, Veilings, Silk and Lace Ties, Silk and Cotton Floss, Zephyrs, Ribbons, Ruchings, Gloves, Corsets, Ladies' and Gents' Furnishing and Fancy Goods in general, equally low in price. Give us a call

CHEAP STORE,

18 Merchant Street, Decatur, Ill.

April 11 - d&wt

BANKING HOUSE

PEDDECORD, BURROWS & CO. JANUARY 1, 1879.

—WE HAVE—

MONEY TO LOAN

IN VARIOUS SUMS ON THE Most Favorable Terms, Secured by Mortgage on Real Estate. We keep a supply of

GOVERNMENT BONDS!

On hand at all times, which we will sell at the LOWEST MARKET RATES.

General Banking Business transacted, but no interest paid on deposits. Jan. 7 - d&wt

CHAS. H. BOTTENHORN

[Successor to BARNES BROS.]

Groceries & Provisions

Cor. Wood and Broadway,

Keeps constantly on hand a full line of Fancy and Staple Groceries,

LARD, BACON,

VEGETABLES, FLOUR, GLASS, CHINA and WOODEN WARE, AND A FULL LINE OF

TOBACCO & CIGARS.

Prices guaranteed to compare favorably with those of any other House in the city. Goods delivered free in all parts of the city. I respectfully solicit your patronage, feeling confident that I can make it to your interest to deal with me.

CHAS. E. BOTTENHORN. April 2, 1879 - d17

Cheap Charley

ONE PRICE ONLY.



No Misrepresentation.

THE "POOR MAN'S FRIEND."

THE ONLY RETAIL CLOTHING HOUSE IN CENTRAL ILLINOIS WHICH MANUFACTURES ITS OWN CLOTHING.

OPENING OF THE SPRING SEASON 1879.

Our Stock is now in Tip-Top Shape, and will be kept so till the End of the Season, by Weekly Fresh Arrivals from our Factory in Chicago.

Our increasing business is not owing to any particular circumstances or good fortune, but to earnest attention and personal supervision of our customers' wants, and the close, sharp prices at which we sell our Goods.

IN ADDITION TO OUR LARGE AND VARIED STOCK OF

GOODS FOR MEN'S WEAR!

WE SHALL ADD STILL GREATER ATTRACTIONS, MORE NUMEROUS BARGAINS and CONTRAST BONA FIDE VALUES, EXCEEDING ANYTHING IN THE MARKET.

Call at Once and See OUR NEW STYLES, and Learn OUR NEW PRICES. Which are really so low that we are nearly ashamed to mention them.

CHEAP CHARLEY.

KAUFMAN & BACHRACH, Decatur, Ill. Factory in Chicago.

March 11 - d&wt

THEODORE A. GEHRMANN

—WILL SELL YOU—

DRY GOODS,

NOTIONS AND MILLINERY,

—AT—

Astonishing Low Prices.

The Store is full of all the Latest Novelties.

—o—

Call at once and secure some

RARE BARGAINS,

—ONLY TO BE HAD AT—

THEODORE A. GEHRMANN'S.

April 18 - d&wt

FURNITURE!



Having completed moving and arranging our stock, we are now prepared to offer to the citizens of Decatur and Macon county, the

Largest, Finest and Best Selected Stock

FURNITURE!

EVER OFFERED IN THIS COUNTY.

Give us a call; we are here to please and sell, and are better than ever.

Don't forget our trade mark, the ELEPHANT.

April 24 - d&wt

ASHBY & ASSS.

CITY DEPARTMENT.

"ASA WHITCOMB" to-night.
Buy the Magnolia Ham. [ap18-dtf]
PHILOMATHREAN society to-night.
A FAT dog lying on a front stoop is a good boarding house sign.
LADIES' hats and novelty goods, latest styles, at Miss A. Miller's.
PHEBE COUZINS Monday night at the tabernacle.
ICE CREAM packed in ice and delivered to any part of the city, by [ap30-dtf]
E. W. Wood.
LADIES, don't fail to see the new side saddles at J. G. Starr & Son's. [m2dtf]
JUMP into Ben Taylor's hack if you want to go to the depot in a hurry.
THE best assortment of canned goods in the city, at Young Bros'. [ap11dtf]
THE pump handle sees a good deal of the ups and downs of life.
C. B. PRESCOTT still sells the unrivaled Muthushek Picnics. [d5d wlt]
Go to Niedermyer's, on the Mound, for family groceries and canned goods.
Buy your parasols at the Cheap Store. [30-d&wlt]
REMEMBER W. C. Armsstrong's "Telephone" when you want a tip-top good cigar for five cents.
UNCLE TOM'S CABIN matinee for parents and children at the opera house to-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock.
THE latest style of harness mountings—The Oriental—at J. G. Starr & Son's. May 2-dtf.
A LARGE line of Parasols just opened at the Cheap Store. [30-d&wlt]
KEPLER'S Queen and all the other favorite brands of cigars, at Martin's. [dft]
CLEANING up time is here, and now is the accepted time to select your house-furnishing goods at Abel & Locke's.
A FEW day boarders can be accommodated with first-class table board at Martin's. [dft]
GENTS, buy your collars and neckwear at I. W. Ehrman's fashionable clothing house, and you will be happy.
CHEAP railroad tickets at Priest's hotel, for Chicago, St. Louis and Cincinnati. [ap22-dtf]
INSPECT the fine carpet goods daily arriving at Abel & Locke's before purchasing elsewhere.
J. G. STARR & SON have a full line of cheap buggy harness, of their own make. Their prices are extremely low. [m2dtf]
SAVE MONEY by buying Boots and Shoes of Challis Bros., P. O. Block. May 2-d3t
THE noblest line of Ladies' Walking Slippers in the city at Challis Bros., P. O. Block. Prices way down. [m2d3t]
FOR a full line of the latest style music, music books, instructors, violins, accordions violin and guitar strings and musical merchandise generally, call on J. S. Hand & Co., in postoffice block. [21-dtf]
FOR the best sugar-cured hams and the choicest dried beef to be found in the city go to J. IMBODEN & SON'S. May 2 d2m
MUSIC hath charms to soothe the savage. This is why we occasionally see a cross dog with a brass band around his neck.
VISIT the Cheap Store for latest style Collars and Cuffs, the most varied display of any house in the city. [ap12-d&wlt]
EVERYBODY takes the St. Nick bus going to and from the depot—only ten cents for the round trip.
THE HIGHEST market price will be paid for second-hand furniture, stores, etc. New goods sold at bottom prices. Old Revere House. Ed. Houston, agent. March 8-d&wlt
THE picnic season is waiting to the front once more. This item will serve as a hint to the small and large children to attend Sabbath school more regularly than heretofore.
STEP IN at Calladay's billiard parlor, on East Main street, and try those elegant new tables just placed in position. They are of the latest design, and the very best manufactured. [May 1-dtf]
THE variety of clocks to be seen at our store is unsurpassed in the state. All kinds, sizes, and styles, as well as all prices. Weight clocks at cost and less. [1-3d]
CURTIS & EWING.
AN error occurred in our report of the Macon city election, which took place on Monday last. For city treasurer Samuel Johnson (liberal) defeated J. L. Hight instead of W. H. Sowell.
FARRIS & OAKES, proprietors of the Decatur Novelty Works, whose business is rapidly increasing, are making another addition to their establishment, on Morgan street.
THE house that is now being erected at Orleans by Dr. Chenoweth is not to be occupied by either of the Drs. Chenoweth of Decatur, who propose to remain here, but by its owner, Dr. Albert Chenoweth, of that village.
A CORRESPONDENT at Macon gives his views of the recent election in that town, and gives them in very vigorous style, too. He talks, of course, from his standpoint; the other side would probably see things quite differently. But then, folks can't all see alike.
THIS farmer, whose land would be worthless if railways did not provide facilities for transporting its products to distant markets; the miner, whose ores and minerals would be practically useless if cheap carriage was not provided; and the merchant, whose business is based upon the interchange of the products of communities remote from each other, too often forget that the transporter, who vitalizes all their operations, is quite as worthy of remuneration as themselves.

BISHOP SEYMOUR.

Confirmation Exercises at St. John's Church Last Evening.
Right Rev. George Seymour, the talented bishop of this (the Springfield) diocese, arrived in the city yesterday afternoon from New York, and officiated at the services at St. John's Episcopal Church last evening.
At five o'clock the baptismal service was observed, when six children were baptized.
At 7:30 o'clock the church was completely filled with the membership of the parish and strangers. Bishop Seymour delivered a very interesting discourse of thirty minutes duration on "The Resurrection of Christ." His remarks engaged the deepest attention of his hearers. The bishop has a splendid delivery, speaking without notes, and confines himself closely to the subject under consideration.
After the services the rite of confirmation was administered to seven adults.
While in the city Bishop Seymour was the honored guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Oglesby. He departs for Lincoln today, where he will officiate in a ministerial capacity to-night.
CAPTURE OF THE MT. PULASKI BANK ROBBERY.—The St. Louis dispatches of today contain thrilling accounts of the capture of two men who answer to the names of James Oliver and Jack Woods, at a saloon in that city last night, who cracked the Mt. Pulaski bank on the night of April 23rd. The account in the *Globe-Democrat* concludes:
Both Woods and Oliver are identified beyond all doubt as two of the masked men who entered Cashier Sawyer's house and compelled him to open the bank. Besides this, the watch taken from the cashier was found in Jack Woods's possession, and several packages of dimes and half dimes, done up in the very papers in which they were originally wrapped at the bank, were found upon both Woods and Oliver. At the time of their arrest they each had a 30-caliber revolver in their possession, besides a pocketful of cartridges. They are charged with professional bank robbery in certain, though their connections and pedigree have not as yet been ascertained.
The prisoners will be taken to Mt. Pulaski as soon as a requisition from Gov. Callom can be obtained.
SENT TO JAIL.—The case of the city of Decatur vs. May Howard, Ida May and Chas. C. Davis, charged with keeping and being inmates of a house of ill-fame, which had been on trial before Justice Curtis for three full days, came to an end last evening. The prosecution was conducted by State's Attorney Buckingham, and Lee & Walker and John B. Bunn appeared for the defendants. At the conclusion of the arguments of counsel the Justice remarked that he thought the evidence was convicting, and he accordingly entered a fine of \$35 and costs against each of the prisoners. In default of payment the trio were escorted to the city calaboose by the officers, where they are now incarcerated. Mr. Lee informs our reporter that on to-morrow evening he will make an attempt to secure the release of the prisoners by means of a writ of habeas corpus.
THE TESTIMONIAL BALL.—About thirty couples of Decatur's society people assembled at Breneman's Hall last night, and participated in a complimentary soiree given in honor of R. B. Leonard, the well-known professor of music and dancing. Twenty numbers were danced to music furnished by Prof. Goodman's orchestra, and from beginning to end the affair was a brilliant success, financially and socially. Owing to other attractions many who had intended to be present were prevented from attending. The affair was a high compliment to the professor—one which he may well feel proud of.
THE REFORM CLUB MEETING.—There was an unusually good attendance at the regular weekly meeting of the Reform Club in the lecture room at the tabernacle last night. Interesting addresses were delivered by Rev. N. B. Haynes, W. E. Bingham, J. Q. A. Odor, and others. J. W. Hartley tendered his resignation as secretary of the club. Announcements of exercises at the tabernacle to-morrow night, and the meeting adjourned in the best of feeling.
ACCORDING to a column account of the dramatic and concert entertainment given by Miss Rebecca J. Sterrett, of this city, at Shumway's Hall at Taylorville, on Friday evening last, which appears in the *Journal* of that place, it was a shining success in every respect. The following is an extract from the article in question:
In the rendering of "A Legend of Bregenz," Miss Sterrett displayed a voice of great strength and sweetness, as well as a thorough comprehension of the piece, ascending from bursts of most eloquent pathos to the soft and gentle cadences descriptive of silent sorrow and gloomy despair, and again swelling her voice so as to thrill her audience as with electricity, while her every look and gesture spoke the inspiration of the author.
Men's and Boys' Shoes, of all kinds, at prices to suit the times, at CHALLIS BROS., Postoffice Block.
Those hand-sewed Button and Congress Shoes, of Hansen & Reddick make, at Challis Bros., are the noblest shoes ever brought into city. Gents, call and see them; we charge nothing to show goods. May 2-d3d
"The Old Arm Chair."—Call and see it, at ASHBY & ANDREWS.
Parasols and Sun Umbrellas, ranging from 10 cts. up to the finest grade of silk, at the Cheap Store. [ap23-d&wlt]
Ice Cream, soda water and lemonade at Wood's, 22 Merchant street. [ap30-d&wlt]
FERRIS' New Stock of Spring Goods suits everybody in style, quality and price. April 30-d&wlt

THE LINED OIL MILL.

Knocked Down to Hatfield, Taylor & Co. for \$10,275—Who Were There.
The well-known lined oil mill, on East Main street, lately owned by W. & B. Sawyer, deceased, was sold at public auction on the premises on yesterday afternoon. The property was sold jointly by the administrator of William Sawyer's estate, Benjamin O. McReynolds, and Albert Barnes and William Sawyer, Jr., executors of the last will and testament of Benjamin Sawyer. John W. Hartley was the auctioneer.
The sale commenced at 3 p. m., and the first bid was \$6,000, by J. W. Race. Then bids as follows: \$8,000 by Hatfield & Taylor; \$8,000 by J. F. Roach; \$9,000 by James Millikin. The bids came in slowly after \$10,000 was called by the auctioneer—Roach, Race, and Hatfield & Taylor being the parties who kept nodding to Hartley. Roach bid \$10,250, and then there was a long wait; Hatfield & Taylor made it \$10,260, and J. W. Race followed by making it \$10,275, and the mill, fixtures and grounds were knocked down to him at a quarter past four o'clock. Mr. Race's bid was made for Hatfield & Taylor, who will take immediate possession, and continue the business under the firm name and style of Hatfield, Taylor & Co.
The following well-known citizens were present: Lowber Burrows, A. W. Conklin, A. T. Hill, James Millikin, J. R. Gorin, D. W. Breaneman, Dr. J. N. Bills, Reuben Betzer, J. F. Roach, J. W. Race, C. A. Ewing, Edward Harpottle, D. B. Shellabarger, Edward A. Jones, F. L. Wood, Wm. W. Foster, J. M. Ciokey, George Priest, M. Eason, K. B. Roby, W. A. Barnes, John Sawyer, Christ. Harpottle, Thomas B. Albert, Gilbert Howell, George Leiby, A. Kramer, Joe McClellan, Samuel A. Smallwood, Al. Deihl, J. H. Cunningham, John A. Swearingen, J. M. Lowry, J. Q. A. Odor, M. P. Murphy, Dr. H. C. Johns, Wm. Traver, Samuel Weltzel, and many others.
Those present from abroad were John and James Hatfield, B. Z. Taylor and J. K. Nile, Blue Mound, and W. M. Campbell, Bement.
The mill was established on its present site in 1867, at a cost of \$32,000, and has a capacity of working up 60,000 bushels of seed a year. The expense of operating the mill each year is about \$10,000 for labor, light, fuel, etc. Since the establishment of the oil mill and the Decatur bagging factory at Decatur, the farmers in this and surrounding counties have turned their attention to raising fax, the seed being purchased by the oil mill, and the straw by the bagging factory. Last year there were over 20,000 bushels of seed delivered at the oil mill, the product of that year's crop. By a little enterprise on the part of parties interested, the farmers this year have been better supplied with seed than on previous years, and it is known that the yield will be unusually large.
Messrs. John Hatfield, B. Z. Taylor and James Hatfield have been engaged in the grain business at Blue Mound for a number of years, and are well known to most of our citizens as thorough business men, and will certainly make a success of their new undertaking. They got a bargain yesterday, and the REPUBLICAN, on behalf of the community at large, gives them a hearty welcome to Decatur, and wishes the new firm of Hatfield, Taylor & Co. continued and lasting prosperity.
Ladies' Side and Front Lace Sewed Shoes, as low as \$1.00, at the sign of the big boot upside down, P. O. Block. May 2-d3t
CHALLIS BROS.
All Grades Harness at J. G. Starr & Son's—their own make. [m2d3t]
HOW HE FEELS ABOUT IT.—When a former citizen of Decatur writes us in the following style we are prone to believe that he is giving us "tally":
ILL., May 1, 1879.
TO THE EDITORS OF THE REPUBLICAN:
DEAR SIRS: You will find enclosed two dollars; send me your paper right along, for it seems to me I hardly know what to do without it. I would almost as soon be without a woman as be without your paper, and you know I couldn't be without a woman.
If you want to see cheap buggy harness, call on J. G. Starr & Son. Their own make. [m2d3t]
Notice.—We have in our possession one light bay mare, long body, black legs, about 14 hands high, broad across the hips, bright hind foot white from pastern joint, light mane and tail, small star in the forehead; small lump on the back, from the saddle; collar marks very plain; no shoes; a very bright eye, and a heavy foretop. Call at police headquarters for information. THE POLICE.
May 2-d
Special Notice.—Calculating, white washing, repairing plastering and cisterns promptly attended to by J. H. Hurr. Leave orders at J. M. Stookley & Co.'s bookstore. Charges reasonable. March 19-dtf
P. T. Locke is at his old tricks again blocking up the sidewalk with his boxes of whistles. Somebody said he had left town or quit the music business, but it turns out to be all a delusion. He is traveling for Kimball's Palace of Music, Chicago, and has his office in the American Express Co.'s building. He has sold ten instruments this month. If folks will buy organs and pianos, they might as well purchase of Locke as any, as he has on hand some beautiful styles of pianos and organs, especially the organ with the chimie of both and took clock. He sold one of these yesterday to Miss Flora Bartholomew. Call and see him.
EXAMINE the Parasols at the Cheap Store. [30-d&wlt]
STOP at Ham & Block's on Frazer street and buy your shoes—Mr. OLIVER and SHILLABARGER'S. We also sell eggs, butter, corn, oats, garden and field seeds. Also implements. Jan 11 dft.

THE FORBES COMBINATION.

Three Fine Dramatic Entertainments at the Opera House.
"ASA WHITCOMB."
The Charles Forbes Theatrical Combination arrived in the city this forenoon, and the full company will appear at the opera house to-night in the beautiful dramatization of "Asa Whitcomb," which is ably and perfectly presented by this troupe. Yankee Robinson appears in the title role, and will be supported by an excellent corps of artists.
MATINEE.
Saturday afternoon there will be a grand matinee, when the ever popular moral drama of Uncle Tom's Cabin will be presented. This company has an entirely new version of this play, which adds much to its general effect. Admission 25 cents; children over 10 and under 14 years, 15 cents. Doors open at 2 o'clock.
"BLACK DIAMONDS."
Saturday night the above thrilling drama will be given.
The Rockford Register, of March 22, says:
Amid the numberless poor imitations of traveling troupes that have troubled our city, and the public generally, during the present season on the road, it is our duty and our pleasure to chronicle the advent of a troupe composed of actors and actresses who are perfect in their several roles, and in their representation last night of "Asa Whitcomb" they fully justified the confidence they were artists, and those who endeavor rather to perform their parts accurately and conscientiously, than to achieve any special applause from the audience. Yankee Robinson as "Uncle Asa Whitcomb," was perfectly gigantic, in gesture, accent, and all the concomitants that go to make a good actor, he was *au fait*, and the audience were convulsed by his wit, and his cackling without stint at the will of the performer.
Where Charles Forbes' Dramatic Company is billed for an appearance the house should be thronged to its uttermost holding capacity, as from our experience of last evening, we can assure those who desire to see a faithful, painstaking, and truthful rendition of drama that they should by all means attend the performances given by this company.
PERSONAL MENTION.
C. B. Sanford, of Covington, Ky., is at Priest's Hotel.
George Mueller, of the Decatur post-office, will cast his maiden vote May 18. He was 21 yesterday.
There is great joy in the household of Ben W. Dillehunt at Indianapolis, Ind. A new postal clerk, weight 10 pounds, made its appearance there night before last.
Wm. J. Urey, as bookkeeper, and John McEvoy, will assist Assessor Smith this year in the performance of his duties.
W. B. Whitaker, of Macon, bought a beautiful \$30 baby perambulator at R. Liddle's yesterday, and expressed it to his wife as a surprise present.
Sergeant J. G. Stauffer, with Warren & Durfee, will please receive the grateful acknowledgement of the REPUBLICAN for a valuable bundle of late California daily papers.
Chas. Forbes, manager of the dramatic troupe which appears at the opera house to-night, gave this office an agreeable call this forenoon.
C. A. Vaughn, representing H. D. Wade & Co., New York, printing ink manufacturers, gave us a call to-day.
Mrs. J. S. Sargent, of Chicago, sister of Rev. W. H. Moore, who has been in the city since early in April, returned home this noon.
Chas. Fletcher was in to see us to-day, having partially recovered from his late serious indisposition. He is slowly improving, which will be good news to his many friends.
Among the many commendable improvements which have taken place at the Central depot recently, is that of placing gilt signs over the entrances reading, "Ladies' Sitting Room," "Hotel and Ticket Office," and "Dining Room." These prominent signs will be a great convenience to the traveling public.
O. H. Giffin, from the well-known music house of Story & Camp, St. Louis, called at this office this forenoon, accompanied by Mr. C. B. Prescott. Mr. G. gave us several fine airs from a new and novel invention called "The Mechanical Organette," a full description of which would take a half column. Perforated manilla sheets run through the instrument by means of a crank, produce waltzes, polkas, schottisches and various other airs with remarkable accuracy and harmony. Prof. Goodman happened in before the exhibition closed, and after being informed of its capabilities and listening to the music while he remarked, "Well, if I thought we were going to have one or more Germans in Decatur, I would buy one of those machines right off." It is hardly necessary to state that this remark brought down the house.
"SOME MISTAKES ABOUT EVE."—The Woman's Christian Temperance Union has engaged Miss Phoebe W. Cousins, L. B., the distinguished attorney and advocate, of St. Louis, to lecture at the tabernacle next Monday evening, May 12th, on her favorite subject, entitled, "Some Mistakes about Eve." General admission, 15 cents; reserved seats, 25 cents. This will doubtless be the great literary treat of the season, and the lady orator should have a big audience. The St. Louis *Republican* says:
Miss Cousins' lecture, last evening, formed a most agreeable entertainment, being delivered with much grace and clearness of enunciation, and evinced no small amount of vigorous thoughtfulness. This young lady aids her eloquent with the animation of an intuitive dramatic accomplishment, while a spirit of sincerity and earnestness gives force to her eloquent words. Her points were sharp and pungent, and frequent applause greeted her presentations.
Carpet Sweepers.—The Ladies' Friend Carpet Sweeper for sale by W. L. Ferguson, No. 71 North Water street. All orders filled promptly. [ap23d1w]
Keep steady by buying a 10 cent Parasol at the Cheap Store. [ap23d1w]

TO THE LADIES.

W. L. Ferguson, hardware dealer, No. 71 North Water street, has for sale the Ladies' Friend Carpet Sweeper. This sweeper is giving universal satisfaction wherever it is being used. Below are the names of a few persons who have kindly consented to let their names be used in this connection, who say they would not be without it for three times the cost, provided they could not get another:
Mrs. J. D. Thompson, Mrs. W. A. Bowers,
Mrs. D. S. Shellabarger, Mrs. A. W. Conklin,
Mrs. W. A. Buck, Mrs. Adams,
Mrs. Lex Montgomery, Mrs. L. M. Tupper,
Mrs. Adam Imboden, Sr. [m2d3t]
For Rent.—The three-story building in opera block, recently occupied by R. Ashby. Will rent store and upper stories together or separately, as may be desired, or will rent upper rooms either furnished or unfurnished to families. Apply at ASHBY & ANDREWS' furniture store. May 10-d3d
WE ARE now able to supply the demand for a good, solid, serviceable and neat walking shoe for \$1.00. Call and see them, at Barber & Baker's Feb. 11-dawit
TO OUR PATRONS.—Having disposed of our retail department to Messrs. Ashby & Andrews, who will hereafter keep a full line of our manufactures, we take pleasure in commending them to the patronage of our citizens, and bespeak for them a liberal share of the same, feeling sure that they will make it to the interest of all purchasers of furniture to call on them before going elsewhere, either at home or abroad. DECATUR FURNITURE CO. May 3, 1879-d&wlt
ICE—WOOD.
I am now prepared to furnish ice at wholesale or retail, and having enough to last two years, I am prepared to sell at very low figures. Families, hotels, restaurants, etc., supplied at very reasonable rates, and ice shipped to other places on short notice. I will make contracts to furnish ice to families and others, for two years—no matter whether the next winter is an ice season or not.
I will also deliver wood, in small or large quantities, at the lowest rates. Orders left at Keeler's hat store will receive prompt attention. March 31-d3w D. A. MARETT.
Never buy anything in the jewelry line until you see what an immense stock you can have from which to make selections at Curtis & Ewing's. They always have the newest patterns, and plenty of them, as well as always selling at bottom figures. May 1-d3d
I take the pleasure to announce to the business men of this city that I will call on them during this and next week and introduce to them the La Belle Copying Book and ink. Respectfully yours, April 30-d1w ANTHONY C. BURNS.
An entire new line of Laces in Valenciennes, Breton, Torchon and Irish, from two cents per yard and upwards, at the Cheap Store, 18 Merchant street. April 26-d3t w1
Don't fail to see the fine Decker Upright Pianos at C. B. Prescott's new store, 63 Water street. [ap30d5d w1]
New designs of the Western Cottage Organ this year, selling at bottom prices at Prescott's, 53 Water street. April 30-d5d w1
Novelties in fine Scotch Cassimeres, Cheviots and Dress Suits, equal to merchant tailoring, at one half the price, for stylish young men's trade, at March 13-d1f B. STINE'S
SHELLABARGER'S patent process flour saves one-half the labor in baking, and will make more bread to the pound than any other flour ever sold here Dec. 18-d&wlt
Choice Peachblow and Early Rose Potatoes, at Young Bros'. April 11-dtf
Our Towels and Table Linens are the cheapest in the city. Call and examine at the Cheap Store. [ap26d5w1]
Try a sack of Shellabarger's "White Loaf"—new patent process flour. Dec. 18-d&wlt
Buy your muslin underwear at the Cheap Store, 18 Merchant street. April 26-d3t w1
FRESH FEATHERS for sale at Linn & Scruggs'. [Nov 23-dtf]
Wanted—1,000 bushels of white peachblow potatoes, at Young Bros'. April 21-dtf
If you want mill feed, corn or oats, you can be supplied at SHELLABARGER'S. Dec. 18-d&wlt
Those super, stout, seamless British Socks, for 25 cents, cannot be surpassed at the Cheap Store. [ap23d6t w1]
Don't purchase a parasol until you have seen the elegant display at the Cheap Store. [30-d&wlt]
Mme. Demorest's Reliable Patterns; the instructive "What to Wear," 15 cts., and Portfolios, 15 cents, just received by Linn & Scruggs. [mar15d&wlt]
E. B. Pratt, 37 North Church street, has on hand a large stock of wood cut stove length, also plenty of dry four foot wood, cheap for cash. [mar27-d3m]
Two-Button Kid Gloves, for 40 cents, at the Cheap Store. Don't fail to see them. [ap23d6t w1]
THE ADVANTAGE of trading at the Popular New York Store No. 21 Water Street, IS IMMENSE!
Most important offerings will be displayed to-day, and all this week. Every cash buyer, in justice to himself, should examine our stock as soon as possible, and get pointed in regard to these new prices. LAMBERT & CO., Popular New York Store. Mar. 25-d&wlt

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100 DOZ. LADIES' PRINTED HANDKERCHIEFS at 10 cents; worth 25 cts.

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BLACK and COLORED DRESS and TRIMMING SILKS retailed at wholesale prices.
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PARASOLS and SUN UMBRELLAS in every style and price.

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2000 YARDS HEAVY COTTONADE at 18c, worth 25 cts.
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SHIRTINGS, CHEVIOTS, TICKINGS, GRAIN BAGS, CARPET WARPS, GINGHAMS, DENIMS and OIL CLOTHS, at the very lowest prices.
If you wish to save money, never buy your Dry Goods and Carpets until you examine Goods and prices at the Popular House of

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